HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 847

By Littleton

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Katie Collins on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Katie Collins of Dickson County is one such exemplary person, who is a recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, a student at Creek Wood High School, where she maintains a 4.0 grade point average, Katie is also a multi-sport athlete and a member of the Tennessee 4-H State Council; and

WHEREAS, proud of her unique skills and experiences, Katie, a multi-racial dairy farmer, is an example to other young women that any goal is achievable; and

WHEREAS, an active participant in numerous clubs, she is president of her 4-H Honor Club, project group leader for the 4-H Dairy Project, and a member of the Student Government Association and Beta; and

WHEREAS, she also shares her time and talents with Dickson's Emerging Leaders and Youth Leadership of Dickson County and participates in canned food drives, clothing drives, and bake sales; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Collins is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Katie Collins for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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